

Amendments to the Specification

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 3, lines 30–33 with the following paragraph to correct a spelling error as indicated:

The film-forming, water-soluble polymer can be of proteinaceous nature, such as gelatin. In one embodiment, the gelatin is extracted from animal bones or skins, and has about 100 to about 250 blooms.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 4, lines 6–9 with the following paragraph to correct a spelling error as indicated:

The shell composition of the invention can contain at least one plasticizer selected from the group consisting of sorbitol, glycerol, polyethylene glycol, poly-alcohols with 3 to 6 carbon atoms, citric acid, citric acid esters such as triethyl citrate, and combinations thereof.